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MEMORANDUM

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July 13, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE LAWRENCE S. HAGLEBURGER

Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs

SUBJECT:

CPPG Meeting: Soviet Leadership Transition

Crisis pre-planning action to date has focused on the evolving Mid-East and Persian Gulf crises. In both cases the work of the CPPG has been helpful to the Interagency process as these situations developed.

There are significant indications that in the very near future we will be faced with a change of leadership in the Soviet This event could generate the need for considerable coordination among the Government agencies represented on the CPPG. Like the Lebanon and Iran/Iraq situations, the more we are able to accomplish prior to the actual circumstance, the more effective we will be when it occurs.

The CPPG will address the Soviet leadership transition issue at a meeting in the White House Situation Room, tentatively set for Tuesday, July 20. In preparation for the meeting, would you convene on a "close hold" basis an Interdepartmental Group (IG) to develop a general concept plan for dealing with the transition issue. As in the past, the IG should include representatives at the Assistant Secretary (or equivalent) level from the office of the Vice President, the Departments of the Treasury and Defense, the JCS, DCI and NSC staff.

It is requested that the format at Tab A be used, as appropriate, in preparing the paper. Copies should be delivered to CPPG principals by COB Monday, July 19, 1982. CPPG principals will be contacted by Oliver North, NSC Staff, regarding a specific time for the meeting to discuss/decide the paper prepared by the IG.

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Deputy Assistant to the President

For National Security Affairs

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Tab A Format for Issue Paper

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TAB A

### CPPG ISSUE PAPER (FORMAT)

- SITUATION (Nature of Potential Crisis)
  - -- Parties involved.
  - -- International and Domestic political concerns.

#### INTERESTS

- -- U.S. Interests
  - .. International
  - .. Domestic
- -- Soviet Interests
  - Known
  - .. Surmised
- -- Key Third Party Interests
  - Allied
  - . Adversaries
  - .. Neutral/Non-Aligned

## Current U.S. Objectives and Policy/Plans

- -- Political
- -- Economic
- -- Military
- -- International Agreements
- -- Domestic/Legal Constraints
- -- Informational/Media Policy and Plans

### Spectrum of U.S. Options

- -- Intelligence Assets Available
- -- Political/Diplomatic; Economic; Military Options
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